

LONG, LONG AGO...



AMIDST ALL DESPAIR AND GLOOM
THAT HAD TAKEN OVER THE
WORLD...



COSE A MORTOIO NELLA LUNA

THE BLACK DRAGON WAS SO
EVIL AND POWERFUL, HE ONLY
BROUGHT DESTRUCTION TO THE
WORLD...



COUNTLESS NUMBER OF WARRIORS
ATTEMPTED TO SLAY THE DRAGON,
ONLY TO FALL TO ITS FEARSOME
MIGHT.

ARISE A WARRIOR WITH THE
DRAGON SWORD TO GO
HEAD-TO-HEAD AGAINST
THE DRAGON.

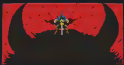


AFTER A BLOODY BATTLE
THAT LASTED FOR DAYS...



EXISTED A FEARSOME
BLACK DRAGON.





THE WARRIOR STRIKED
THE DRAGON SWORD INTO
THE MONSTER'S CROWN



AND FINALLY SLAYED IT FOR
THE SAKE OF THE WORLD.



WHEN PEACE WAS RESTORED
TO THE PEOPLE'S LAND...



THE HERO VANISHED HIMSELF
WITH HIS DRAGON SWORD.



HUNDREDS OF YEARS LATER...



A GROUP OF EVIL CRETINS ARE
SCHEMING TO REVIVE THE
FEARSOME BLACK DRAGON TO
DESTROY THE WORLD AGAIN.



BURIED SOMEWHERE IN THE
WORLD, THE DRAGON SWORD
NOW AWAITS FOR A NEW
WARRIOR TO PASS ON OLD
HERO'S LEGACY.

YES. YOU'RE THE NEW WARRIOR.

ARISE! WARRIOR!



WAKE UP!! WARRIOR!!

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OLD MAN: I SAID, GET UP!

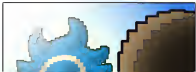


RISE AND SHINE MOTHERFUU-!!!

SHOUT

JUMP









DOES HE USUALLY
LOOK LIKE THAT?

GUARDIANS OF THE VIDEO GAME

STAGE 7 - BEGINNING OF THE LEGEND



BEEP BEEP BEEP

PLEASE LEAVE A
MESSAGE AT THE BEEP.

BEEP BEEP BEEP

PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE.

BEEP BEEP BEEP

PLEASE LEAVE...

...!!!

TATATATATATA

DON'T THESE IDIOTS
HAVE A STANDBY DUTY?!!
PICK UP THE DAMN PHONE!

BUT I'LL NEVER GET
THERE AT THIS RATE! I NEED
SOMETHING FASTER!!

SURPRISE

HUH?!!!

SLUUURP

TATATATATA

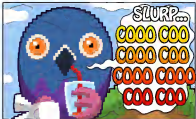


AS LONG AS I RETRIEVE IT,
I CAN FIND A WAY OF GETTING IT
TO OUR WARRIOR LATER.

BEEP-BEEP-

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT
DAGGER WAS AN ESSENTIAL...
IT'S MY FAULT ON SKIPPING
THE DAMN MANUAL !!

I'VE GOTTA GET
THE DAGGER BACK
BEFORE THEY
DELETE IT !!



ALL DONE? THEN TAKE ME TO "DEL"!!!



SLUUUUUUUUURP



COME ON AGENT~?
YOU REALLY THINK A MAN
COULD RIDE A PIGEON~?

HAHAHAHAHA





WELL I SEE A
PIGEON CONVERSATING
WITH A MAN, SO,
WHY NOT?



GRRRRRRRRRRRRR

NOW, DON'T BE SHOCKED
AND TRY TO LISTEN.

SQUAWK!!!!!!

SWOOSH

I'M RUNNING OUT OF TIME!!



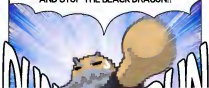
YOU'RE ACTUALLY NOT
MY GRANDCHILD.







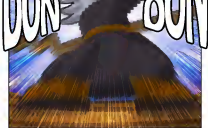
**S-SO YOU'VE GOT TO GO ON AN
ADVENTURE TO FIND THE DRAGON SWORD
AND STOP THE BLACK DRAGON!!**



BUT A WARRIOR WHO
WILL SAVE THE WORLD!!

DUN DUN







S_SOMETHING
DOESN'T FEEL
RIGHT_!!

SUSPICIOUS

HE'S NOT LIKE
THE OTHER PLAYERS
WE'VE HAD BEFORE_!

HE'S USUALLY SUPPOSED
TO GET ALL MOTIVATED AND
EMOTIONAL AT THIS POINT...

I SEE! THANK YOU FOR
TAKING CARE OF ME,
GRANDPA!

SNEEZE

I'LL DEFEAT THOSE
EVIL CRETINS IN THE
NAME OF JUSTICE!!

CRASHING

NOW, BEFORE YOU

LEAVE, I'VE GOT A MESSAGE

LEAVE. I'VE GOT A PRESENT
FOR YOU.

PHEW... BUT I'VE MANAGED
TO GUIDE A LOT OF DIFFERENT
WARRIORS IN MY TIME...

REACH

I CAN HANDLE A LITTLE
UNPREDICTABILITY...

I'VE PUT
SOME GOLD IN THIS
CHEST FOR YOU.





USE THAT GOLD... TO BUY
ONE "HP POTION" FROM
THE POTION SHOP.

AND THE "CHEAPEST WEAPON"
FROM THE BLACKSMITH.





WHY NOT LET THE BLACK DRAGON
JUST COME BACK?

RAGE

WHEW... JUST STAY CALM...
I'M GOODHEART, THE VERY
EMBODIMENT OF LOVE
AND BENEVOLENCE. I

WELL... I TOLD YOU THAT
DRAGON ALMOST DESTROYED
THE WORLD BEFORE.



CALM



THIS GUY COULD BE
TROUBLE... BUT EVENTUALLY
HE'LL FOLLOW MY LEAD!

SO IF IT COMES BACK,
THE WORLD WOULD BE
IN DANGER AGAIN.

BUT DID YOU ASK HIM
WHY HE DID IT?

CRACK



ASKING WAS NOT AN OPTION
FOR THAT VICIOUS CREATURE!!
HMPH!!

TOLERANCE!!
BENEVOLENCE!!!

TATATA

HM~

HM~ LET'S SEE~

56 COUNTS FROM ACTION.

25 FROM RPG.

13 FROM RACING.

32 FROM PUZZLES.

40 FROM MOBILE.

**AND FROM THE CLASSIC
GAME DEPARTMENT...**





MEANIE

**SHUT UP AND
GET THE GODDAMN
WEAPON!!**

AND IT'S NOT SOMEONE.
IT'S A BEAST.



WELL~ THEN YOU SHOULDN'T
TALK SO MEAN ABOUT SOMEONE
YOU DON'T REALLY KNOW~



SCREW FRIGGIN'
BENEVOLENCE

183?!

DUN

DUN



WHY THE HECK DO THEY HAVE SO MANY THINGS TO DELETE AT ONCE?

FLUTTER

CONTRACT FOR TOTAL DELETION OF DATA

THE UNDERSIGNED OF THE VARIOUS COMPANIES (HEREINAFTER "COMPANIES"), AND THE CEO, CONFIRMATION OF THE DELETION OF DATA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONTRACT IN ORDER TO PERFORM THE DELETION.

ARTICLE 1 PURPOSE OF THE CONTRACT
THE UNDERSIGNED CAREFULLY SELECT DATA FROM THE DATA, IN ORDER TO PERFORM THE DELETION OF SAID DATA.

ARTICLE 2 SCOPE OF THE CONTRACT
THE UNDERSIGNED SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DELETION OF DATA, IN ORDER TO PERFORM THE DELETION OF SAID DATA, AND IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY OTHER DATA, IN ORDER TO PERFORM THE DELETION OF SAID DATA.

HMPH, THESE DATA ARE
SO OLD THERE PROBABLY AREN'T
EVEN BACK-UP FILES... IS IT REALLY
OKAY TO DELETE THESE...?



SCRATCH

WELL, I GUESS IT
SHOULD BE OKAY SINCE
I GOT A SIGNED FORM...

A comic panel featuring a close-up of a clock face at the top, with numbers 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 visible. Below the clock is a light blue rectangular sign with black text. A speech bubble is on the left, and another is on the right.

WELL! I'D BETTER
GET STARTED THEN.

DATA DELETION: EVERY DAY AT 5PM

BE PUNCTUAL!!

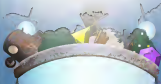
AH RIGHT! I GOTTA
GO OUT FOR DINNER TODAY.

HEHE~ I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO
LET OUR COMPUTER TAKE
CARE OF THIS TODAY.

A partial view of a computer monitor at the bottom of the page, showing a dark screen with a grid of glowing red dots.



"COMPLETE DELETION"!



LET'S GET ROLLING~



00:20:00



DUN DUN

DANGER

00:19:59 BEEP



I'VE OBTAINED 1000 GOLD!

